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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Department of Defense Fire and Emergency Services Minimum Qualification Standards and Certification Requirements

By memorandum dated April 19, 1999, I forwarded to you Change 1 to the DoD 6055.6-M, "Department of Defense Fire and Emergency Services Certification Program Manual." Change 1 revised the Manual by requiring, as qualification standards, specific certification levels for firefighter positions. The change became effective June 1, 2000. This memorandum is to highlight the supplemental qualification standard to the human resource community. Attached is a copy of the Minimum Qualification Standards and Certification Requirements section of the Manual for widest distribution within that community. My office has worked extensively with the DoD Office of Environmental Security, the Air Force Civil Engineer Support Agency, as the Executive Agent for the program, and the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) to ensure these supplemental requirements are supported and validated. OPM has advised that it would include these requirements in the Operating Manual, Qualification Standards for General Schedule Positions by providing a link to them on the GS-081, Firefighter standards.

Components are reminded that they must satisfy any bargaining obligations prior to implementing changes generated by the Manual.

My point of contact on this matter is Gale Perryman, who may be reached at (703) 696-6301, ext 650.

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Attachments:  
As stated

